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FM USDEL MTN GENEVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2426

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: ZIRE'S PROTEST OF U.S. EXPORT-RESTRICTION
NOTIFICATION

REF: (A) MTN GENEVA 1341 (NOTAL); (B) MTN GENEVA 0121(NOTAL)

1. WE MET WITH LUDUNGE KADAHU OF ZAIRE MISSION APRIL 22
TO DISCUSS U.S. NOTIFICATION ON ZAIRE'S EXPORT DUTY ON
COPPER, SUBMITTED TO GATT NTM INVENTORY FEBRUARY 15.
KADAHU HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO EXPLAIN THAT DUTY IM-
POSED FOR FISCAL PURPOSES ONLY, WAS NONDISCRIMINATORY,
AND COULD NOT BE REMOVED WITHOUT CRIPPLING EFFECT ON
CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S REVENUES. HE ASKED THAT WE WITHDRAW
NOTIFICATION, SAYING THAT "ZAIRE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A
GOOD TRADING PARTNER OF YOURS."

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2. WE REFERRED KADAHU TO U.S. STATEMENT IN FEBRUARY 21
MEETING OF FRAMEWORK GROUP (PARA 6 REF A), IN WHICH U.S.
CALLED ATTENTION TO ITS SUBMISSION OF NOTIFICATIONS OF
FOREIGN EXPORT RESTRICTIONS AND EMPHASIZED THAT
NOTIFICATIONS "ARE NOT ACCUSATORY, NOR ARE THEY
NEGOTIATING REQUESTS" -- RATHER, THEY WERE SUBMITTED
IN "AN EFFORT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE EXAMINATION OF

SPECIFIC MEASURES IN THIS AREA, WHICH MANY DELEGATIONS HAD PREVIOUSLY CALLED FOR." WE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT NOTIFICATION ON ZAIRE'S EXPORT DUTY WAS ONLY ONE OF 92 NOTIFICATIONS, AFFECTING NEARLY 50 DC'S AND LDC'S, WHICH U.S. HAD SUBMITTED. FINALLY, WE STRESSED THAT NOTIFICATIONS TO NTM INVENTORY ARE BY NATURE "INFORMATIONAL, NOT CONFRONTATIONAL," AND URGED KADAHI TO PROVIDE GATT SECRETARIAT WITH COMMENTS SUCH AS HE HAD GIVEN US. KADAHI SEEMED MOLLIFIED, AND SAID HE WOULD ASK HIS AUTHORITIES FOR LANGUAGE TO BE SUBMITTED TO SECRETARIAT AS ZAIRE'S COMMENT TO THE NOTIFICATION.

3. GATT SECRETARIAT ADVISED US APRIL 26 THAT ZAIRE MISSION HAS INDICATED ITS INTENTION TO SUBMIT COMMENTS, PENDING INSTRUCTIONS FROM KINSHASA.

4. FOR KINSHASA: REFTELS BEING REPEATED TO YOU FOR BACKGROUND INFO ON NOTIFICATION PROJECT. DELEGATION OFFICERS WERE INSTRUCTED TO MAKE IT PLAIN TO KADAHI THAT USG NOTIFICATION DID NOT CONSTITUTE U.S. REQUEST FOR CONCESSION, THAT ZAIRE HAD NOT BEEN SINGLED OUT FOR SPECIAL PRESSURE IN THE NEGOTIATION, AND THAT U.S. NOTIFICATION SHOULD BE NO CAUSE FOR ALARM IN KINSHASA. WALKER

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